LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady. Supplies are adequate for the mostly moderate demand. Processing schedules are seasonally normal to less than normal. Retail feature activity is light entering the weekend with majority of interest being in the Midwest and Southeast regions. Finished product supplies are moderate and clearing satisfactorily. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 10.0 - 22.0 13.91

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending no better than steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are at least sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are seasonally normal to less than normal. Movement of finished product sales are moving well. Market activity is moderate. The majority price for removal costs is unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

READY-TO-COOK FOWL

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers

(cents/lb.delivered to first receivers; US Grade A and Plant Grade)

Price Range

Ice Packed (12/box): 80.0 - 86.0 Vacuum Packed (6-9/box): 85.0 - 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

LIVE FOWL AUCTIONS

Hackettstown, NJ - Tue Mar. 12

Heavy Fowl		Price Range		Avg.	
	each:	3.25	8.25	5.00	
	per pound:		1.30		

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Mar. 12

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs: 0.60 - 0.65 per pound

4-5 lbs: 0.50 - 0.60 per pound

Relative Fowl Featuring by Region /1

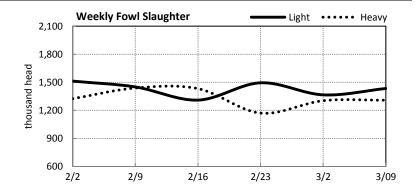
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs: 0.60 - 0.70 per pound

LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week ending 03-09-13

	Head A	vg Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	1,434	3.28	2,540	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,309	8.01	6,815	65%
Total Hens:	2,743	5.54	9,355	

(head and ready-to-cook weight in thousands; avg. wght in lbs.)



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

Supermarket featuring during the week of 03/15 to 03/21

(ad prices in \$/lb)	Light	t Hens	Н	eavy Hens
Region	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stor	res Wtd Avg
	75	1.42	27	7 1.33
Northeast	60	1.36	5	0.88
Southeast	15	1.66	8	0.98
Midwest			14	1.69
South Central				
Southwest				
Northwest				

[%] of stores featuring hens by region.

^{1/ %&#}x27;s reflect feature activity relative to the sample size of each region.